



Before: Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Registry: Geneva

Registrar: Liliana López Bello

DALAL

v.

SECRETARY-GENERAL
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

**ORDER
ON CASE MANAGEMENT**

Counsel for Applicant:

Self-represented

Counsel for Respondent:

Camila Nkwenti, HRLU/UNOG

Introduction

1. On 2 July 2024, the Applicant filed an application contesting his non-selection for the position of Human Rights Officer at the Business and Human Rights Unit of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (“OHCHR”), advertised through Job Opening No. 222469.
2. On 9 August 2024, the Respondent filed his reply.
3. By Order No. 125 (GVA/2024) of 1 October 2024 signed by Judge Wallace as Duty Judge, the Tribunal instructed the Applicant to file a rejoinder by 15 October 2024. It also encouraged the parties to explore amicable settlement of the matter and revert to the Tribunal in this respect by 22 October 2024.
4. On 2 October 2024, the Applicant filed a motion seeking the recusal of Judge Wallace.
5. On 7 October 2024, the Registry informed the Applicant, *inter alia*, that Judge Wallace acted as Duty Judge in issuing Order No. 125 (GVA/2024). It was further communicated that the case had not yet been assigned to a Judge.
6. On 10 October 2024, the Respondent informed the Tribunal that an amicable settlement in the present case was not possible.
7. On 13 October 2024, the Applicant filed a rejoinder.
8. On 16 January 2025, the present case was assigned to the undersigned Judge.

Consideration

The Applicant’s motion for a recusal

9. The Applicant’s motion for recusal was based on the incorrect assumption that the present case had been assigned to Judge Wallace. However, as the Registry informed the Applicant, Judge Wallace acted as Duty Judge to deal with preliminary procedural instructions in issuing Order No. 125 (GVA/2024).

Consequently, since Judge Sun has been assigned to the present case effective today, the Applicant's motion for recusal is moot.

Closing submissions

10. Having reviewed the evidence on record and the parties' submissions to date, the Tribunal considers itself sufficiently informed to render its judgment without further disclosure of evidence or the holding of a hearing on the merits.

11. Pursuant to art. 19 of the Tribunal's Rules of Procedure, and for the fair disposal of the case, the parties are instructed to file their respective closing submission. Upon filing the closing submissions, the Tribunal will move forward with the adjudication of the case.

Conclusion

12. In view of the foregoing, it is ORDERED THAT:

- a. By **Friday, 24 January 2025**, the parties shall file their respective closing submission, which shall:
 - i. Exclusively refer to the evidence already on file; and
 - ii. Not exceed 10 pages, using font Times New Roman, font size 12 pts and 1.5 line spacing.

(Signed)

Judge Sun Xiangzhuang

Dated this 16th day of January 2025

Entered in the Register on this 16th day of January 2025

(Signed)

Liliana López Bello, Registrar, Geneva